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1. AS REFTSLS B AND C INDICATE

ROMANIANS ARE MOVING FASTER ON SEEKING MILITARY
EQUIPMENT THAN I WOULD HAVE EXPECTED. THRE ARE OF COURSE
ASPECTS OF OUR OVERALL MILITARY SALES POLICY AND OF OUR
RELATIONS WITH THE USSR WHICH ARE PERTINENT HERE. FROM
THIS VANTAGE POINT, I THINK THE BEST TACTICS ARE TO LISTEN
TO WHAT THE ROMANIAN SIDE SAYS DURING THE PRESIDENTIAL
VISIT SO WE CAN GET A BETTER FEEL OF WHAT THEY THINK
POLITICALLY THEY ARE DOING. IF A VALID DISTINCTION CAN
BE MADE BETWEEN THE EQUIPMENT FOR SPACE EXPLORATION
PURPOSES AND THAT FOR PRIMARILY MILITARY PURPOSES WE SHOULD
POINT THEM ORE IN FORMER DIRECTION INITIALLY. GENERAL
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WEYAND'S SEPTEMBER VISIT WOULD THEN OFFER

US ENOUGH TIME
TO WORK OUT OUR OWN POSITIONS IN LIGHT OF WAY MATTER
HANDLED BY ROMANIANS DURING PRESIDENTIAL VISIT.
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